

Remarks

The above Amendments and these Remarks are in reply to the Office Action mailed January 11, 2005.

In the Office Action, the Examiner subjected claims 1-27 of the application to a restriction requirement. On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner grouped claims 1-14 as drawn to a method and claims 15-27 as drawn to a product.

Applicants hereby elect to proceed with the invention as defined in claims 1-14 in the instant application.

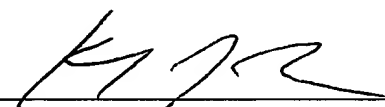
Based on the above amendments and these remarks, reconsideration of claims 1-14 is respectfully requested.

The Examiner's prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should further questions remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501826 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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